ORDINANCE NO. 2023-01

AN ORDINANCE CANCELING THE MAY 6, 2023 GENERAL ELECTION AND DECLARING EACH UNOPPOSED CANDIDATE ELECTED TO OFFICE; PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE CUMULATIVE OF ALL ORDINANCES; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the City of Bridgeport is a home rule city acting under its charter adopted by the electorate pursuant to Article XI, Section 5 of the Texas Constitution and Chapter 9 of the Local Government Code; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with law a general election has been ordered for May 6, 2023, for the purpose of electing City Council members to Place 3, Place 4, and Place 5 to serve on the City Council of the City of Bridgeport; and

WHEREAS, the City Secretary has certified in writing that each candidate on the ballot is unopposed for election to office; and

WHEREAS, no proposition is to appear on the ballot in the general election; and

WHEREAS, the filing deadlines for placement on the ballot and declaration of write in candidacy has passed; and

WHEREAS, in these circumstances Subchapter C of Chapter 2 of the Election Code authorizes a governing body to declare each unopposed candidate elected to office and to cancel the general election.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIDGEPORT, TEXAS:

SECTION 1.

That the following candidates, who are unopposed in the May 6, 2023 general election are hereby declared elected to office, and shall be issued a certificate of election:

City Council Place 3	Susan Coffman
City Council Place 4	Sylvia Ramirez
City Council Place 5	Matt Van Hoose

SECTION 2.

That the May 6, 2023 General Election is hereby canceled.

SECTION 3.

That the City Secretary is directed to post a copy of this ordinance at each designated polling place on May 6, 2023.

SECTION 4.

That this ordinance shall be cumulative of all provisions of ordinances of the City of Bridgeport, Texas, except where the provisions of this ordinance are in direct conflict with the provisions of such ordinances, in which event the conflicting provisions of such ordinances are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5.

That it is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that the phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of this ordinance are severable, and if any phrase, clause sentence, paragraph or section of this ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs and sections of this ordinance, since the same would have been enacted by the City Council without the incorporation in this ordinance of any such unconstitutional phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section.

SECTION 6.

That this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and it is so ordained.

Susan Coffman, Mayor Pro-Tem

ATTEST:

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